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1. EVENING SEPTEMBER 2 SAIGON RADIO CARRIED SHORT SPEECH BY CHIEF OF STATE THIEU ON OCCASION OF ELECTION. SUMMARY OF MESSAGE FOLLOWS:
2. THIEU STATES THAT, TO MANIFEST HIC GOOD INTENTIONS TOWARD THE ELCTIONS, HE URGES ALL SERVICEMENHV CIVIL SERVANTS, ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL, POLICEMEN, AND SECURITY AGENTS AT ALL LEVELS AND EVERYWHERE: 1) TO ABSOLUTELY REFRAIN FROM ORGANIZING FRAUDULENT ELECTIONS OF ANY KIND;
2) TO ABSOLUTELY REFRAIN FROM INTIMIDATING, COERCING OR

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ADVISING PEOPLE TO VOTE FOR ANY SLATE AND ESPECIALLY THE THIEU-KY SLATE; AND 3) TO ABSOLUTELY REFRAIN FROM ACTING AS ACCOMPLICES IN ANY ACT WHICH CAN BE REGARDED AS CONTRIBUTING TO FRAUDULENT ELECTIONS.
3. THIEU STRESSES THAT A FRAUDULENT ELECTION WILL BE THE SHAME

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OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE BEFORE THE WORLD AND THAT HE WILL REFUSE TO ACCEPT THE PRESIDENTIAL POST IF HE WINS AND THERE IS JUST AND IMPARTIAL EVIDENCE THAT HE HAS COMMITTED FRAUD. FINALLY, HE EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT AFTER THE ELCTIONS HIS OPPONENTS WILL APPRICIPATE IN BUILDING A DEMOCRATIC SPIRIT AMONG THE PEOPLE AND STRESSES THAT ANY OPPOSITION TOTHE ANTI-COMMUNIST STRUGGLE AND ANY UNREST IN THE REAR ECHELONS WILL DISAPPOINT THE FIGHTERS AT THE FRONT.
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